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Applicant	Hubert Mahnes
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Title of Application:	Trocar Sleeve For Endoscopic Applications
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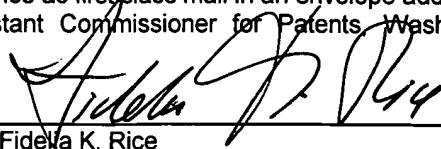
In the Claims

Please, amend the following claims as indicated:

9. (Amended) A trocar sleeve for endoscopic applications, comprising
- an elongate part extending along a longitudinal axis and including at least one passage for insertion of an instrument, - pivotable parts formed at a distal

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